

## Classroom Observation Prerequisite- 2026-2027 Admission Cycle

To support your credential application, you must complete **30** hours of classroom observation in a diverse California public school setting. ***We recommend completing most or all of your observation before submitting your application.***

### How do I meet the Classroom Observation requirement?

To meet this requirement, please document *at least 30 hours* of classroom observation. Classroom observation should:

- Be in a California Public School classroom(s) or an equivalent\*
- Be in grades TK-6 for Elementary/Multiple Subject applicants
- Be in a Middle School or High School setting, in the subject you wish to teach, for Single Subject applicants
- Be with a group/classroom of students in a classroom setting

### How do I obtain Classroom Observation?

- Contact a school district for information on how to volunteer and connect with a teacher with whom you can observe
- Complete the UC Davis EDU 100 *Introduction to Schools* course or AED 100, or MAST EDU/GEL 181 and EDU/GEL 183 courses at the appropriate subject/grade level
- Complete a course at your university that includes fieldwork at the appropriate subject/grade level

### How do I document my Classroom Observation? All Applicants:

- Must answer the question describing relevant observation/experience with learners (found in Section 10 in the online admissions application). ***Do not leave this question blank.***
- Then complete the *Classroom Observation Form* and ask the cooperating teacher or site administrator to sign as verification of your hours. **Signed form (s) must be uploaded to your online application.**

To obtain a copy of the Classroom Observation form visit: <https://education.ucdavis.edu/general-information/2-classroom-experienceobservation>

\*If you have relevant K-12 experience (subbing, after-school tutoring) you may submit a detailed description of your experience for faculty review. Please email your description to Student Services at [eduadvising@ucdavis.edu](mailto:eduadvising@ucdavis.edu) **before applying.**